

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A resonance filter, comprising:  
at least three multilayer capacitors having at least two different capacitances, the at least three multilayer capacitors being adjacent each other;  
wherein two capacitors of the at least three multilayer capacitors have a same capacitance, the two capacitors being on outer ends of an arrangement formed by the at least three multilayer capacitors.
2. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 1, wherein the at least three multilayer capacitors are connected in parallel.
3. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 1, wherein the at least three multilayer capacitors comprise:  
a stack of dielectric layers; and  
electrode layers between dielectric layers in the stack, the dielectric layers and the electrode layers forming a component.
4. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, further comprising:

external contacts on faces of the component, the external contacts corresponding to electrode layers in the component.

5. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, further comprising:  
a connector element to connect electrode layers of different ones of the at least three multilayer capacitors, the connector element being inside the component.
  
6. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, wherein the component has a length and a width, the length being greater than the width; and  
wherein electrode layers for different ones of the at least three multilayer capacitors are arranged substantially in parallel lengthwise in the component.
  
7. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, wherein the component has a length and a width, the length being greater than the width; and  
wherein electrode layers for different ones of the at least three multilayer capacitors are arranged substantially in parallel widthwise in the component.
  
8. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, further comprising:  
external electrodes on faces of the component.
  
9. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, further comprising:

a connector element that is external to the component and that connects the at least three multilayer capacitors.

10. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 1, wherein the at least three multilayer capacitors comprise only three multilayer capacitors.

11. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 1, wherein the at least three multilayer capacitors comprise four multilayer capacitors, the four multilayer capacitors being in a parallel arrangement, the four multilayer capacitors comprising two center capacitors located between two edge capacitors in the parallel arrangement, the two center capacitors having a same capacitance.

12. (Currently Amended) The filter of claim 1, further comprising:  
leads that interconnect the at least three multilayer capacitors; and  
~~inductive resistors~~ inductors connected to the leads.

13. (Currently Amended) The filter of claim 3, wherein the dielectric layers comprise ~~capacitor~~ barium titanate-based ceramics.

14. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 3, wherein the electrode layers comprise a ceramic material having a varistor effect.

15. (Currently Amended) The filter of claim 3, wherein a cross-section of the component has a surface area that is less than 6 mm<sup>2</sup>.

16. (Previously Presented) The filter of claim 1, wherein electrode layers for the two capacitors have surface areas that are substantially same.

17. (Previously Presented) A resonance filter comprising:  
plural capacitors, each of the plural capacitors comprising alternating layers of dielectric and electrode, the plural capacitors being arranged in parallel and interconnected, the plural capacitors comprising:

a first outer capacitor having an electrode with a first surface area;  
a second outer capacitor having an electrode with the first surface area; and  
one or more inner capacitors that are between the first outer capacitor and the second outer capacitor in an electrical sense, the one or more inner capacitors having one or more corresponding electrodes with surface areas that are different than the first surface area.

18. (Previously Presented) The resonance filter of claim 17, wherein the one or more inner capacitors have a capacitance that is higher than a capacitance of the first outer capacitor and a capacitance of the second outer capacitor.

19. (Previously Presented) The resonance filter of claim 17, further comprising a connecting element that connects electrodes of the first outer capacitor, the second outer capacitor, and the one or more inner capacitors, the connecting element being electrically conductive.

20. (Previously Presented) A resonance filter comprising:  
a first charge storage device having multiple layers including an electrode layer;  
a second charge storage device having multiple layers including an electrode layer;  
a third charge storage device having multiple layers including an electrode layer;  
a connecting element that connects the first, second, and third charge storage devices in parallel, the connecting element connecting to electrode layers of the first, second, and third charge storage devices;  
wherein the second charge storage device is between the first charge storage device and the third charge storage device in an electrical sense; and  
wherein the first charge storage device and the third charge storage device have substantially identical electrical properties that are different from a corresponding electrical property of the second charge storage device.